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SUBJECT: EPA - Status of Risk Assessment & Policy Guide

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Status of Risk Assessment, Policy Guide and Technical Compendium:

- \* The notice of availability of the draft risk assessment could appear on Friday, June 8th. However, copies of the draft risk assessment will not be available until June 15th.
- \* The draft policy guide is under review by the Deputy Administrator's office and can be released at any time.
- \* The Technical Compendium is still incomplete and will not be available at this time.

Composition of the Science Advisory Board:

We have successfully raised the importance of a balanced SAB panel for a fair review of the draft risk assessment to senior EPA officials. As a result, the EPA is considering two options to achieve a balanced panel; 1) select a SAB panel including industry consultants or 2) have a SAB panel comprised of individuals who are not involved in ETS research (i.e. neutrals).

Importantly, two known anti's originally identified for the SAB panel may be disqualified because they authored chapters in the technical compendium. The members of the SAB panel have not yet been identified and we anticipate that the SAB will be formed in the next ten days.

60 Day Comment Period and SAB Meeting:

The start of the 60 day comment period begins when the notice of availability appears in the Federal Register. During that time a public docket is opened and comments on the draft Risk Assessment can be made directly to the EPA. Dr. Steven Bayard, the individual responsible for the Risk Assessment will review the submitted comments immediately. If the SAB cannot meet (scheduling problems) during the 60 day period then the comment period will be extended.

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As soon as SAB panel is selected comments on the draft Risk Assessment can be made through the executive director of the SAB. We do not have to wait for the SAB hearing to make our comments. Obviously, the faster we can assemble our comments the longer the members of the SAB can deliberate on them.

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